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City Council Approves Resolution to Name Parks Building after Patsy Luna

TEMPLE, TX – (*February 6, 2014*) At their regularly scheduled meeting this evening, the Temple City Council adopted a resolution to name the Parks and Leisure Services Office Building located in Wilson Park after former Councilmember Patsy Luna.

"City Council District 2 has some of Temple's oldest and most historic parks," comments Parks and Leisure Services Director Ken Cicora. "Several of those parks were badly in need of renovation and repair. During her terms in office, Ms. Luna worked with the Council and staff to see that improvements were made to many of those parks including Jackson Park, Jeff Hamilton Park, Wilson Park and Ferguson Park. As a result of her work, attendance and usage at those parks is higher than ever. As the City's Parks Director, I was pleased by the leadership she provided."

The City's Parks Naming Policy states that the person a facility is being named after should have made a major contribution to Temple either in deed or monetary contribution. Among the criteria considerations for naming are when a major contribution has been made by a person or organization to the enhancement of the quality of life in the community and, outstanding accomplishments by an individual for the good of the community. The quality of the contribution is considered along with the length of service by the individual. At the Parks and Leisure Services Advisory Board meeting in November of 2013, the board met and voted unanimously to recommend the naming of the building after Ms. Luna to the City Council. The board felt that Ms. Luna had more than exceeded the standards set by the policy.